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SUBJ/CANCELLATION OF SECNAVINST 6320.24A, MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE
ARMED FORCES//

REF/A/DOC/SECNAV/16FEB1999//

REF/B/DOC/DOD/04MAR2013//

REF/C/DOC/NDAA/FY2012//

NARR/REF A IS SECNAVINST 6320.24A, MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED
FORCES. REF B IS DOD INSTRUCTION 6490.04, MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE
MILITARY SERVICES. REF C IS SECTION 711 OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2012 (PUBLIC LAW 112-81).//

RMKS/1. Ref (a) is cancelled.

2. Ref (b), which implements Ref (c), provides policy and guidance for all members of
the naval service
until revised DON guidance is issued.

3. Ref (b) affirms there is no stigma associated with seeking and receiving mental
health evaluations,
while also allowing commanders and supervisors to direct a subordinate service member
to receive a
mental health evaluation.

4. Always consult your staff judge advocate, region legal service office, or legal
services support section,
as appropriate, with any questions regarding making a mental health examination
referral.

5. Point of contact is Mr. Jeff Sherman, BUMED Legal Affairs at (703) 681-8969, or
via e-mail at
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6. Released by the Honorable Sean J. Stackley, Acting Secretary of the Navy.//

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